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TITLE OF INVENTION: BALE LIFT DEVICE, A FRONT END LOADER HAVING A BALE LIFT DEVICE, AND METHOD FOR MOVING BALES

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